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## PIOCHE HAS GREAT FUTURE, SAYS CLARK

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Among the week's visitors to Pioche was E. W. Clark, manager of the Ophir-Hill mine at Ophir, Utah, and who is the personal representative of William A. Clark, president of the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad.  
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While Mr. Clark insists it would be manifestly improper for him to say what his mission to this district at this time really is; it requires no stretch of imagination to arrive at the conclusion that his trip is for the purpose of sizing up conditions here generally and to gather such data relative to what the mines of this region are capable of doing in the way of producing tonnage. Mr. Clark has been interested in the reports coming in from the new gold camp of Atlanta and also from other districts between here and Ely, which leads to the suspicion that the Salt Lake Route management has in view the extension of its Pioche branch in the direction of the White Pine copper camp. At any rate, Mr. Clark is seeking information about mining districts from which a road to Ely would draw patronage.

The visitor spent his first two days

in camp in making a cursory inspection of the Prince Consolidated and other mines along the route of the railroad soon to be built to that side of the district. Another day was put in very interestingly at the Mendha, Maggie Murphy, Colfax and other properties in Highland. Thursday, the visitor was the guest of Manager James P. Gaskill, of the Nevada-Utah, at the Day mine. Yesterday was occupied at mines nearer to town.

He left this morning for Pioneer and other Nye county districts; but expects to return soon, when he will take a run out to Groom.

Mr. Clark expressed himself as being greatly pleased with the showing in the Prince Consolidated. "It is certainly a wonderful mine," said he, "and the time spent there with Mr. Godbe and Mr. Lloyd was very interesting. Indeed, the Mendha and Day mines also have a world of ore exposed and appear to be valuable properties."

"This is my third trip to Pioche, and from what I have seen myself, together with what I have heard from others I feel very confident that the Pioche district is going to advance very rapidly. There are certainly good mines here and the prospect for more of them being developed in the near future could not be more encouraging. One seldom runs across a mining region as extensive or with prospects as flattering."

### TARIFF ON LEAD ORE FAVORABLE TO PRODUCER.

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A special dispatch from Washington quotes Senator Sutherland of Utah relative to the position of lead in connection with the tariff agitation now before Congress, as follows:  
"There seems to be a decided misapprehension as to the status of the lead schedule. As the bill passed the house it provided a duty of one and a half cents a pound on lead ores and the same rate on pig and bar lead. The senate increased the rate to two and an eighth cents on pig and bar lead, leaving the rate on ores the same as the house rate. It is understood that the conferees have agreed to a rate of one and a half cents on ore and two cents on pig and bar, which gives a differential of half a cent for smelting."

"In view of the widespread sentiment for a revision of the tariff downward I think that this is a substantial victory for the lead producing states."

Under the Dingley law the tariff has been heretofore collected on only 90 per cent of the lead contained in either ores or bullion so that the shippers from Mexico have managed to get 10 per cent of their product into this country free. Some of these operators are advised under the new law 90 and possibly 100 per cent of the lead in bullion will hereafter be made to stand the tariff so that the reduction will really amount to nothing, or so little that it is hardly worth thinking about.

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### WANTS MINING EXHIBITS RUSHED FOR THE CONGRESS

"Rush the mining exhibits to Goldfield."

This is the advice of John H. Tate, who has been appointed by the commission of the American Mining congress to classify exhibits of minerals that will be received as part of the immense display that is to be made during the meeting of the American Mining congress in Goldfield, September 27.

"Time is passing rapidly," said Tate this morning, "and before long there will be a condition here where we shall be unable to handle the exhibits as fast as they come in, and it will be better if the mining companies throughout the state send in their exhibits as soon as possible."

"We are getting letters right along saying that exhibits will be shipped from various localities in a short time, but the ones who are sending in the ore should remember that although the meeting of the congress does not begin in Goldfield until September 27, that date will not do for the arrival of ore in this city, as there will be a tremendous amount of classifying to be done."

Tate suggested that senders of exhibits should forward a part of their exhibit if the entire collection has not been made, and send the remainder in as a second shipment. From the number of letters received from the commissioners in Goldfield, the exhibit will be the biggest of the kind ever collected in the country, and for this reason it is imperative that some of the exhibits should arrive as soon as possible, so that classifying may be commenced at once.

The first exhibit to arrive in the city is now at the freight depot of the Tonopah & Goldfield railroad, and will be taken to the Hotel Casey and classification begun at once. It is from Battle Mountain, and will make a splendid display of the ores of that section.—Goldfield News.

### DRY FARM WHEAT MAKES AN IDAHO FARMER HAPPY.

(Special Correspondence)

AMERICAN FALLS, Idaho, July 29.—Turkey red wheat forty-five inches high and still growing is reported on 22 acres of G. W. Thayer's dry farm near here. It was seeded September 10. The grain is well headed and stands thick on the ground. Mr. Thayer is an advocate of deep plowing and early seeding and has been asked to tell about the results of his methods for the benefit of members of the Dry Farming congress at Billings, Montana, in October.

## FINSEN-RAY DEAL HAS BEEN CONSUMMATED

Ed F. Freudenthal, who returned from Salt Lake early in the week, informs the Pioche Record that the deal for the Finsen-Ray mine in the Highland district, upon which W. L. Updike of Bay City, Michigan, recently secured an option, is a sure go.

There has been little doubt about that, however, ever since Mr. Updike's examination of the ground sometime ago and during Mr. Freudenthal's late trip to Salt Lake he was told that all details had been arranged, and that Mr. Updike and associates—Chas. A. Stoneham of New York and W. F. Snyder of Salt Lake have planned a vigorous development campaign.

Past development of the ground warrants the immediate installation of machinery and this will be done

without delay, and among the equipment will be a five drill compressor and hoisting plant.

The former owners of the Finsen-Ray, it will be recalled, used a diamond drill with considerable success over a year ago, resulting in locating a 12-foot vein of good commercial ore, very similar in character to that now being extracted from the Mendha mine, which the Finsen-Ray adjoins.

Not very long ago the Mendha management ran a cross-cut out from the 900 level encountering a large body of exactly the same kind of material which has led to the presumption that it probably has some connection with the Finsen-Ray resource. The Finsen-Ray fissure is traceable on the surface for nearly 3,000 feet.

## ORES MUST BE SENT TO GOLDFIELD AT ONCE

(Special Correspondence.)  
GOLDFIELD, Nev., July 29.—At a regular meeting of the Board of Mining Congress commissioners, held on the 22nd inst. in the office of Milton M. Detch, secretary, the reports of the solicitors, Messrs. Charles F. Kapp and Branch H. Smith, were read and approved.

A resolution was introduced and unanimously endorsed thanking the citizens at large, the stage and railroad companies and particularly the press of Nevada, for their kind treatment and the many hospitalities shown their solicitors during their recent visit to the camps throughout the state.

The commissioners desire to state to the various committees throughout the state, who have charge of collecting and shipping exhibits from their immediate locality, that the matter of freight transportation has been settled and that all exhibits will be shipped free of charge from points of shipping to Goldfield and return if desired, otherwise to the State School of Mines at Reno. The commissioners earnestly request that the exhibits be forwarded immediately that the board may not be embarrassed at the eleventh hour. The arranging, classifying and cataloging of specimens is one of the arduous tasks and requires considerable time. Some of the exhibits have arrived and now that the question of transportation has been arranged, it is expected that the exhibits will arrive daily.

### THOMAS STEWART IS NAMED BY GOVERNOR.

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Thomas Stewart, a well known rancher residing in Pahranagat valley, has been appointed a member of the board of county commissioners by Governor Dickerson.  
Mr. Stewart's appointment comes as a surprise to a great many who had not even heard his name mentioned as a candidate to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. E. Hawkins.  
Mr. Stewart will qualify in time for the meeting of the board next Monday.  
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### BIG BODY OF ORE ON THE MOOSE CLAIM.

The shaft being sunk on the Moose claim of the Black Wonder group in the Highland district is showing up very gratifyingly to Manager Ed Freudenthal. During the past three weeks a force of men has been engaged in sinking a shaft on the Moose and at 25 feet depth the entire bottom broke into a full face of manganese ore containing good silver-lead values.

## GOOD PROGRESS BEING MADE AT ATLANTA

(Special Correspondence.)  
ATLANTA CITY, NEV., July 29.—Mr. Bray, who is connected with the new Atlanta company, is in camp for a few days to look over his interests in this region. He seems to be wearing a very contented smile, which gives evidence of satisfaction over the progress being made in this district.

The first automobile to reach Atlanta arrived last Saturday and was occupied by B. S. Nunn, Dr. H. Stockham, E. L. Godbe and H. W. Rand, who drove in from Pioche.

E. D. Stone who left camp several days ago for Salt Lake, returns tonight with his family. Mr. Stone has completed the erection of a residence in the North Addition to the Atlanta townsite. His family will remain until about October 1.

The "City Fathers" of Atlanta had about completed arrangements last week to press street sprinklers into service when a heavy rain storm intervened; thus saving them the necessity of going to the expense for the time being.

We of Atlanta noticed in last week's issue of the Record that Atlanta is referred to as a low grade camp. We beg to differ with the party giving the interview; for in and around the district there are properties containing ore which shows values running from 200 to 600 ounces in silver and from \$9 to \$10 in gold to the ton.

### PRESIDENT TAFT DUE IN SALT LAKE SOON.

A Washington dispatch says: The president has made such progress in arranging the itinerary of his western trip that unless something unforeseen happens, will arrive in Denver at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of Tuesday, Sept. 21. He will remain three days in Colorado, and leave the state from some one of the western slope towns on the evening of Friday the 24th, via the Denver & Rio Grande, reaching Salt Lake City about 10 o'clock next morning. He will remain but a short time in Utah, spending Sunday at Salt Lake City, and then will go on to the coast. The Utah senators have made no definite plans for entertaining the president during his stay.

Senator Smoot will try to have him visit the Strawberry valley irrigation project, but beyond this nothing has been proposed. It is expected the president will wish to spend Sunday in Salt Lake City quietly resting up from the effects of the previous week's sight-seeing and entertainment.

### SIX THOUSAND TONS JULY RECORD FOR DAY.

The month of July closes with the record of shipments from the Day mine at Jack Rabbit, showing 6,000 tons; or approximately 200 tons a day.

### CENTENNIAL-PIOCHE A WINNER, SAYS LLOYD.

One of the coming mines of the Pioche district is the Centennial-Pioche, situated adjacent to the Prince Consolidated and which is being operated by Murray C. Godbe of Salt Lake and a few associates.

Superintendent William Lloyd of the Prince Consolidated, is directing the campaign of development there and at the present is engaged in sinking a shaft over which the new hoisting plant, recently ordered, has just been installed.

Mr. Lloyd declares that the Centennial-Pioche is a dead sure winner and expects to break into a good body of ore in the near future.

The property is well down on the wash below the Prince Consolidated and the solid formation is not expected much under 75 feet, which depth the shaft is approaching.

Mr. Godbe is expected to arrive on any train from Salt Lake and will remain until the new hoisting plant is in commission.

### NQ ASSAYS BY THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Attention is called by the United States geological survey to the fact that it does not make analyses or assays of ores or metals for the public received by the survey accompanied by requests for such treatment, with which it is impossible to comply. The most that can be done in such cases is for the survey geologists to give an offhand opinion based on a simple examination of the specimen; but if an assay is desired the proper course is to employ a private assayer or to send the specimen to one of the government assay offices, where a regular charge is made for such work. When specimens are sent to the survey for examination, applicants should be particular to state whether they wish them returned, as otherwise they will be destroyed. Government assay offices are located at Carson, Nev.; Seattle, Wash.; Boise, Idaho; Helena, Mont.; Deadwood, S. Dak.; Salt Lake City, Utah; St. Louis, Mo.; Charlotte, N. C.; and New York, N. Y.

### WORK IN MAGGIE MURPHY SHAFT IN PROGRESS.

Work on the permanent shaft on the Maggie Murphy group in the Highland district is going on steadily and has reached the depth when machinery becomes almost a necessity. This is one of the mines that is soon to be equipped.

## ELY-GOLDFIELD ROAD IS SURE TO BE BUILT

"There is no doubt whatever that construction work on the Ely-Goldfield railroad will be started as soon as possible after the completion of the surveys," said John Ryan, general manager of the Tonopah & Tidewater railroad Thursday. Mr. Ryan is one of the party of prominent men who arrived in Goldfield Wednesday evening by special train from Los Angeles, says the Goldfield News.

In the party are Mr. Ryan, Max Bernheimer, vice president of the Montgomery-Shoshone and the Tonopah Extension Mining companies; Howard Dessar, Bernheimer's guest both of New York; Charles Kirchen, general manager of the Tonopah Extension; Malcolm L. MacDonald, both of Tonopah; W. R. Alberger, traffic manager of the Tonopah & Tidewater and H. F. Krautzkar. The party is spending the day in looking over the Goldfield mining district and through the Consolidated mill. They spent yesterday in the Bullfrog and Rhyolite districts, and their entire trip is one of inspection of the mining districts throughout Southern Nevada.

Continuing his talk about the Ely-Goldfield railroad, Mr. Ryan said: "Of course, there will be a little delay after the completion of the surveys, which will be about the first of September, in which it will be necessary to issue bonds and place them in the hands of good financial backing, but there will be no difficulty about that, as parties backed by sufficient capital already have offered to take the bonds of the new road."

"I think the Ely-Goldfield, when completed, will run through one of the grandest mineral districts in the entire west, and I now have one of the best mining experts in the country making a personal inspection of all the mineral resources and districts adjacent to the route of the railroad whose report may considerably influence events in the construction of the road."

### PRINCE EXTENSION DEVELOPING PROPERTY.

The Prince Extension company is working a force of men on its property, which is located near the Prince Consolidated. The development of the property was begun on the 13th inst. with E. W. Pierce in charge. He is employing three men and the shaft is now down about thirty feet.